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**INDIA: Destruction From Rioting**

Six days of Hindu-Muslim rioting around Bombay have left at least 145 people dead and 12,000 homeless in India's worst communal conflict in five years. [REDACTED] Army units have restored order in areas where they were deployed on Friday, but the fighting has continued to spread since Prime Minister Gandhi's visit early this week to calm tensions. Prominent politicians and industrialists are demanding more extensive intervention by the Army to end the violence, bring food supplies into the city, and reopen factories. A press report yesterday indicated more troops were being sent in. [REDACTED]

**Comment:** The resumption of rioting despite Gandhi's visit and the deployment of troops will hurt her political standing in an election year. She is likely to try to deflect criticism by replacing the Congress Party chief minister of the state, who has been blamed for responding slowly to the crisis. [REDACTED]